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Intimations

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

SATURDAY (OFF-DAY)

TICKETS or **ADMISSION** to the **GRAND STAND** and **ENCLOSURE** may be obtained from **Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD.** or at the **Gate**.

Tickets for the Off-Day, \$2.
No one admitted without a Ticket to be
shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. [207]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 17th instant.

A Stand and an Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families, Tickets for which will be sent out with the Members' Tickets after WEDNESDAY, 7th instant.

Special accommodation will be reserved for Chinese Ladies and their Female Attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of Ground next

to the Lusitano Club Stand.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. [208]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the
ENCLOSURE of the **RACECOURSE**

during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS
which can be had on application to the Under-
signed between WEDNESDAY, 7th, and
MONDAY, 12th instant.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. [205]

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NOTED for their WINES, SPIRITS
and PROVISIONS of which they have

always a large assortment in stock.

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Hongkong, 30th September, 1905. [0

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HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN,"	2,338 "	" W. A. Valentine.
"FATSHAN,"	2,260 "	" R. D. Thomas.
"HANKOW,"	3,073 "	" C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN,"	1,995 "	" J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
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These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

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Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 P.M. Departures on Sundays at Noon.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 8 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
 THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, Captain J. Wilcox.

S.S. "NANNING," 569 tons, Captain C. Butcher.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M. calling at Yunkai, Mahning, Kumchuk, Kau-Kong, Samshui, Howlik, Shiu-Hing, Luk-Po, Luk-To, Lo-Ting-Hau, Tak-Hing, Doshing and Fong-Chuen. Departures from Wuchow for Canton calling at the above ports every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8.30 A.M.

FARES:—Canton to Wuchow.....Single \$15.00. Return \$25.00.
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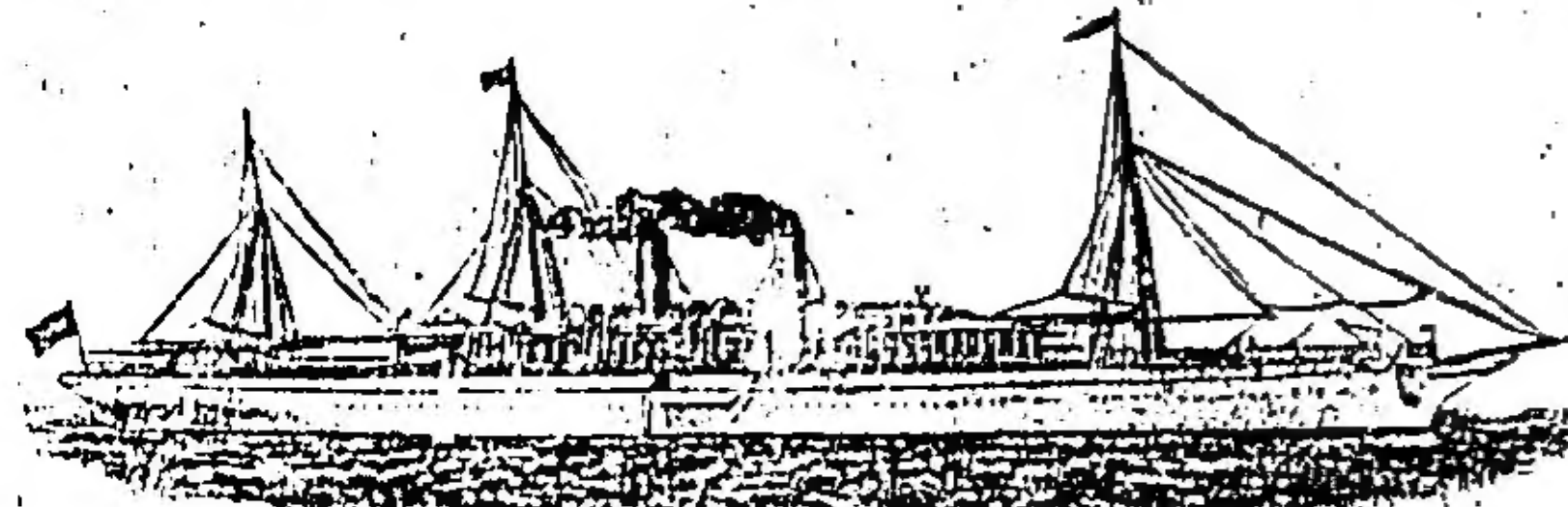
Hotel Mansions, (First Floor) opposite the Hongkong Hotel,

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

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The only Line that Maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the Pacific is the "Empress Line."—Sailing 3 to 7 Days Ocean Trial.

12 Days YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER. 21 Days HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

(Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S.	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"TARTAR".....	4,425	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21.....	Mar. 17
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN".....	6,000	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 7.....	Mar. 28
"EMPRESS OF CHINA".....	6,000	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 28.....	April 18
"ATHENIAN".....	4,440	WEDNESDAY, April 11.....	May 5
"EMPRESS OF INDIA".....	6,000	WEDNESDAY, April 18.....	May 9

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the COMPANY'S PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class.....via St. Lawrence £60. via New York £62.
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R.M.S. "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" Passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers Book through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to—Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to
 Hongkong, 7th February, 1906. Corner Pedder Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier. [13]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
SPEZIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st Feb. } Freight.
Müller.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	
LIBERIA.....	HAMBURG.	27th Feb. } Freight.
Kier.....	(Calling at SINGAPORE).	
SAMBIA.....	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	7th March } Freight.
Ehlers.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	
SAXONIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st March } Freight.
Sachs.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	
SILESIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	4th April } Freight and
Bahle.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	Passengers.
SENEGAMBIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	18th April } Freight.
Peter.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	
SEGOVIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	2nd May } Freight.
Schönfeldt.....	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	

* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this steamer. Saloon and cabins amidships. Lighted throughout by Electricity. Duly qualified Doctors are carried.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

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King's Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

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STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,

ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

Steamers will also call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading for all European, North and South American Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
ZIETEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 28th February.
PRINZESS ALICE.....	WEDNESDAY, 14th March.
BAYERN.....	WEDNESDAY, 28th March.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD.....	WEDNESDAY, 11th April.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH.....	WEDNESDAY, 25th April.
SACHSEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 9th May.
PRINZ HEINRICH.....	WEDNESDAY, 23rd May.
RUON.....	WEDNESDAY, 6th June.
PREUSSEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 20th June.
ZIETEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 4th July.
OLDENBURG.....	WEDNESDAY, 18th July.
BAYERN.....	WEDNESDAY, 1st August.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD.....	WEDNESDAY, 15th August.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH.....	WEDNESDAY, 29th August.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship ZIETEN, Capt. F. von Binzer, with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 26th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 27th February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 27th February.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.4. and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA & GIBRALTAR ...	£61. 0. 0.	£42. 0. 0.	£22. 0. 0.
Return	91. 0. 0.	63. 0. 0.	33. 0. 0.
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG ...	65. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	24. 0. 0.
Return	97. 0. 0.	65. 0. 0.	36. 0. 0.
TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ:			
Via NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR ...	61. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	26. 0. 0.
Return	115. 0. 0.	79. 0. 0.	47. 0. 0.
Via BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON ...	68. 0. 0.	46. 0. 0.	27. 0. 0.
Return	123. 0. 0.	83. 0. 0.	49. 0. 0.

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltair and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the SAME RATES to BE APPLIED AS VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:

Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is however not included.

Interruption of the Voyage in Egypt:

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE, VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFFEN, SIMPSONHAFFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration).

STEAMERS.	Tons.	SAILING DATES.
WILLEHAD.....	4,763	TUESDAY, 6th March.
PRINZ WALDEMAR.....	3,227	TUESDAY, 3rd April.
PRINZ SIGISMUND.....	3,302	TUESDAY, 1st May.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th March, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship WILLEHAD, Capt. Obonauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA.....	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Return	\$80.00	\$50.00	\$30.00
TO NEW GUINEA.....	£28.—	£18.10	£14.00
Return	£42.00	£27.15	£21.10
TO BRISBANE.....	£30.—	£20.—	£14.—
Return	£44.—	£29.10	£21.10
TO SYDNEY.....	£32.—	£23.—	£15.—
Return	£46.—	£32.10	£23.10
TO MELBOURNE.....	£34.10	£24.10	£16.—
Return	£48.10	£34.10	£24.10
TO YOKOHAMA.....	\$80.00	\$50.00	\$40.00
Return	\$120.00	\$70.00	\$50.00
TO KOBE.....	\$95.00	\$70.00	\$50.00
Return	\$140.00	\$100.00	\$70.00
TO YOKOHAMA & back from KOBE to HONGKONG ...	\$140.00	\$100.00	\$70.00

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	£97. 0. 0.
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA.....	96. 0. 0.
From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C. P. R. Co's steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. S. S. Co's Steamers, and from New York to Europe by the magnificent express steamers of N. D. L.	

SAILINGS-OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	ABOUT
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BAYERN.....	WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD.....	WEDNESDAY, 14th March.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WILLEHAD.....	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., Daylight
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR.....	WEDNESDAY, 14th March.
* Reaching Yokohama in less than 6 days.		

TRANSPACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG.

Via VANCOUVER OR SAN FRANCISCO to NEW YORK by the C. P. R. Co's steamers, P. M. S. S. Co. & O. S. S. Co., T. K. K. and from NEW YORK to EUROPE by the magnificent Express steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following rates:

	1st Class
TO LONDON VIA PLYMOUTH OR SOUTHAMPTON	£63. 0. 0.
TO BREMEN	63. 10. 0.
TO PARIS VIA CHERBOURG	65. 0. 0.
TO NAPLES, GENOA VIA GIBRALTAR	65. 0. 0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

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Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

Homeward Passenger Season, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES & LONDON,

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
 COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
 THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO.	Leave HONGKONG.	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON.	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier).	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later).
	Tons. Noon, Saturday.		Tons. Saturday.	Friday.
ARCADIA \7,000...	Feb. 10...	BRITANNIA 7,000 ...	Mar. 10...	Mar. 16
DELHI.....8,000...	Feb. 24...	MOLDAVIA10,000...	Mar. 24...	Mar. 30
DONGOLA.....8,000...	Mar. 13...	MONGOLIA10,000...	April 7...	April 13
DELTA.....8,000...	Mar. 24...	MOOLTAN10,000...	April 21...	April 27
OCEANA.....7,000...	April 7...	MARMORA10,500...	May 5...	May 11
			Sunday.	Saturday.
ARCADIA7,000...	April 21...	VICTORIA 7,000 ...	May 20...	May 26
DEVANHA.....8,000...	May 5...	HIMALAYA 7,000 ...	June 3...	June 9
DELHI.....8,000...	May 19...	INDIA 8,000 ...	June 17...	June 23
Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the				

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking. In addition to the above Mail steamers the following

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WILL LEAVE FOR

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CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Tonnage.	LEAVE HONGKONG	ABOUT	DUKE AT LONDON	ABOUT
↑ JAPAN.....	4,500	Feb. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 31	
↑ SUMATRA.....	5,000	Feb. 28	Mar. 28	April 14	
↑ NUBIA.....	6,000	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	April 28	
↑ JAVA.....	4,500	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	May 12	
↑ FORMOSA.....	4,500	April 11	April 11	May 26	

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

* "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.

↑ "JAPAN," "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For Passage, apply to—

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1906.

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WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP CO.

HONGKONG-KONGMOON AND KAUKONG LINES.

S.S. "TAK HING."
 SAILS every SUNDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY, at 7 P.M., for the above Ports.
 THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES ONLY 36 HOURS.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SAN-UI."

SAILING TWICE A WEEK. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES 54 DAYS.
 THE steamers sail from HONGKONG to SAMSHUI, HUIHUNG, TAKING and WUCHOW. They pass through the Canton delta, and steam up about 150 miles through the gorges, and beautiful scenery of the West River.

Intimation.

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POWELL'S

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.

Intimations.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, TO-MORROW, the Sixteenth day of February, 1906, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined special Resolutions. Should the said Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 15th day of February, 1906.

By Order of the Board,
JAMES WHITTALL,
Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1.—That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—(130). The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

2.—That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for by or presented to the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted. [163]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 24th February, 1906, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, 20th February, until SATURDAY, 24th February (both days inclusive).

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. [202]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [181]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [182]



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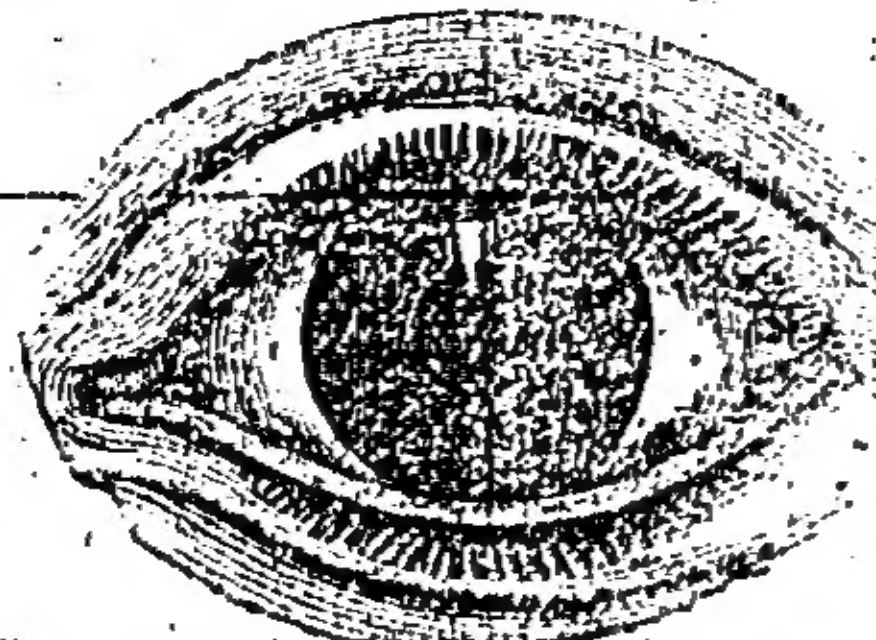
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HARRIS, CALNE WILTS, England.

REPRESENTATIVES FOR HONGKONG & CHINA,
HOWARD & Co.,
59, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [63]

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [41]

CONFIDENCE.

said Lord Chatham, "is a plant of slow growth." People believe in things that they see, and in a broad sense they are right. What is sometimes called blind faith is not faith at all. There must be reason and fact to form a foundation for trust. In regard to medicine or remedy, for example, people ask, "Has it cured others? Have cases like mine been relieved by it? Is it in harmony with the truths of modern science, and has it a record above suspicion? If so, it is worthy of confidence; and if I am ever attacked by any of the maladies for which it is commended I shall resort to it in full belief in its power to help me." On these lines

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COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 26th February, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [174]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, King's Buildings, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. [228]

THE FAMOUS
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Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [66]

RECEPTION OF MALAY CHIEFS.

The Singapore Free Press, of the 5th inst., thus describes the reception of the Malay Chiefs at Singapore during the recent Royal visit:—

His Royal Highness and the other members of the Garter Mission arrived at Government House at 10.50 a.m., accompanied by the Governor's A.D.C.'s, Captain Stockley and Subadar-Major Gurdit Singh; they were followed shortly by His Excellency Major-Gen. R. Inigo Jones, C.V.O., C.B., and staff and were received by a Guard of Honour provided by the 95th Russell's Infantry which was drawn up on the lawn in front of the house and was under the Command of Captain Nicholas. The Regimental Band played the National Anthem as the carriage containing H. R. H. approached and also provided music during Prince Arthur's inspection of the Guard. H. E. the Governor, Sir John Anderson, K.C.M.G., and Miss Anderson, who were attended by Capt Grover, A.D.C., and H. E.'s Private Secretary, Mr. Oliver Marks, welcomed H. R. H. at the entrance and after the various members of the Mission had been introduced to His Excellency a move was made to the drawing room. H. R. H. expressed himself as much pleased with the welcome extended to him and as delighted with the very effective street decoration through which they had just driven. After resting, H. R. H. and H. E., attended by the members of the mission, H. E. the G. O. C. and their excellencies' staffs, descended to the Reception Room, which had been gracefully decorated with bamboos and palms and at the east end of which a red cloth covered dais had been raised, and there took seats to receive the sultans and representatives of the Federated Malay States.

His Highness the Sultan of Selangor was the first to be introduced, he was attended by some twenty followers dressed in black trousers, yellow coats and green tengkolos and sarongs, and bearing the golden sheathed kris, sword of state and befeathered Lembing, and was accompanied by Mr. H. Conway, Belfield, British Resident of Selangor, who acted as Interpreter between H. R. H. and the Sultan.

Next came His Highness the Yang di Per Tuan of the Negri Sembilan marshalled in by Mr. D. G. Campbell, the British Resident of the "Nine States." His Highness was also waited on by a body-guard of Malays clothed in black, with the stiff black head dresses favoured by the Malays of Sri Menanti, and with dark red silk sarongs, and carrying some of the state regalia and their swords and spears of office.

His Highness the Sultan and Yang di Per Tuan, after being introduced to H. R. H. were conducted to seats on the dais, while their followers lined either side of the Hall.

The Sultan of Perak, who was prevented through indisposition from coming to Singapore, sent Raja Musa, the Raja Muda of Perak and Raja Chulan, with a letter regretting his inability to attend, and His Royal Highness through Raja Chulan, desired to thank the Sultan for his kind message of regret and for having sent his own mounted body-guard to attend H. R. H. during his stay in Singapore.

The Dato Meniri, Dato Mahomed and Unku Sulaiman of Johore were next presented; all in the Johore uniform of the first class; they were not accompanied by any followers. Coffee and cigarettes were then served and the whole party went outside to where the inevitable and indefatigable photographers were waiting. Messrs. G. R. Lambert and Wilson and Company, both sent representatives and four separate photographs were taken.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
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Do. demand	20 11/16
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Germany—Bank T.T.	2 10 1/2
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4 months' sight L/C.	2 1/2
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30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	50 1/2
4 months' sight do.	51 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	2 1/2
4 months' sight France	2 1/2
5 months' sight do.	2 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	2 1/2
Bar Silver	30 9/16
Bank of England rate	4 1/2
Sovereigns	9 7/8

OPERA QUOTATIONS.	
Today's quotations are as follows:—	
Salwa New	1,010/1,030
" Old	1,030/1,050
" Older	1,100/1,110
" Oldest	1,200/1,240
Atna New	905
" Old	900
" Older New	874
" Old	867 1/2
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Hongkong 28th May, 1895. [58]

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1906. [212]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1906. [147]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1905. [74]

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1906. [73]

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [72]

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [30]

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Macao, 16th October, 1905. [29]

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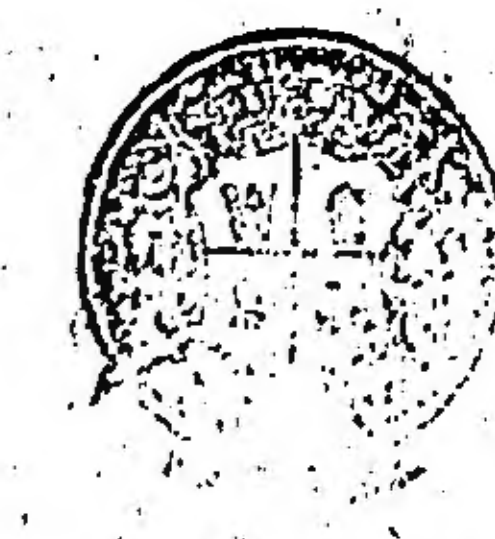
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DEATH.

On the 9th February, at Shanghai, ANNIE,
widow of the late Samuel Young, I.M. Customs
Service, aged 62 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1906.

FAKE WAR ALARMS.

The improbability of the correctness of
the news reported in the Manila Press from
Washington as to the imminence of another
rupture between China and the Powers was
demonstrated in these columns when we
pointed to the fact that no alarming sym-
ptoms are apparent to people in the Colony
who should be well informed on the subject.
It will be seen that even in the States, the
fake alarm is credited to the Washington
Press sensational correspondents. The San
Francisco Chronicle explains that the Army
regulations provide that troops shall serve
two years in the Philippines and four years in
the United States. That keeps substantially
one-third of the Army of about 65,000 men
in the Philippines all the time and regiments
are constantly coming and going as their time
arrives to go to the islands, or their term
of service there expires. Just at this time
the equivalent of about three regiments
of troops are about to embark for the
Philippines to relieve an equal number
who have completed their service. The
details were arranged some months ago,
and they were that the First Infantry were
to embark on the 1st February at New York
on the transports *Kilpatrick* and *McClellan*
and proceed by way of the Suez Canal; the
Second Infantry and the Eighth and Thirteenth
Batteries of field artillery were to
leave San Francisco on that date on the
transport *Meade*, and the horses of the field
batteries would be sent from Seattle on the
same date aboard the transport *Dix*. Since
the fire on the *Meade* in San Francisco
harbour a fortnight ago, the departure of
that transport might be delayed. Our Ameri-
can contemporary further explains that this
very simple matter of routine administration
has been seized upon by some Washington
correspondents as evidence that blood was
about to flow somewhere in Eastern Asia
and that the American soldiers were basing
themselves on the scene of conflict. The authorities
differ both as to the occasion and the prob-
able scene of the blood-letting. Some say
that the Chinese are about to arise and ex-
terminate the foreign devils in their midst,
while others declare that the Filipinos are
on the point of breaking out in insurrection.
Happily neither prophet of evil is correct.
Nothing unusual is about to happen any-
where, so far as is known.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE German mail of the 17th January was
delivered in London on the 14th inst.

LIEUTENANT A. H. Pullman, 2nd Royal West
Kent Regiment, arrived from North China per
s.s. *Prusien* on 12th instant, joining head-
quarters for duty.

THE construction of a new building for the
British Consulate at Shimonoeki has been
commenced and is to be completed by the end
of September next.

FOR stealing iron from the Cement Works at
Hunghom yesterday, a night-soil coolie was
this morning sentenced to three weeks' hard
labour and six hours' stocks.

THERE has been a blizzard at Taiienwan, and
transportation is suspended. Since the 8th inst.,
there has been heavy snow at Tokio, and the
tramcar service is suspended.

It is reported that the cost of quarters and
subsistence furnished by the Japanese Govern-
ment to the Russian prisoners of war is roughly
estimated at eighty million yen.

MR. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court this
morning, sentenced a coolie to twelve months' hard
labour and six hours' stocks, for returning
from banishment before the expiration of five
years.

FIFTEEN hawkers were charged at the Police
Court this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland,
for selling dog's meat at the Happy Valley
yesterday, without the necessary permit. A
fine of \$3 each was imposed.

A GREAT commotion has been caused in the
Catholic parishes of Massachusetts (U.S.),
owing to the Bishop of Fall River prohibiting
waiters, polkas, and gallops, on the ground of
indecent.

THE Honourable Mr. A. W. Brewin has very
kindly consented to deliver a lecture under the
auspices of the "Odd Volumes," an "Fung-
shui" at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 20th
inst., at 5.15 p.m. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock
will take the chair.

A PRIVATE chair coolie in the employ of Mr.
John Lemm was charged this morning at the
Police Court with assaulting an Indian coolie
stable at the race-course yesterday afternoon
and doing slight damage to his tunic. Mr.
Hazeland fined the coolie \$5.

THE Russian Minister at Peking, Mr. Pokotil-
ow, has assented to China's request for the
establishment of a Chinese consulate at
Vladivostok to look after Chinese interests
there. With the exception of the above, none
of the proposals under negotiation has been
settled.

MR. Kodera Kenkichi, Nakayamatoro, Kobé,
has contributed ¥50,000 to the elementary
schools of Arima district, Japan. It will be
recalled that, at the dying request of his late
father, Mr. Kodera recently contributed
¥50,000 to Tokio University and other educa-
tional institutions.

THE N. C. D. News prints the following wire
from Tokio, dated 9th inst.:—The measures for
the creation of amortisation funds, and the
continuance of the war taxation, passed the
House of Representatives last night by an
overwhelming majority, despite the opposition
of the Progressives.

THE following notification has been received
from the Government of Madras:—"The
Governor in Council is pleased to withdraw the
regulations under the Venice Sanitary Con-
vention imposed at all the uninfected ports of
Madras Presidency against vessels arriving
from Hongkong."

THE annual meeting of the Hongkong Church
Missionary Association will be held in St.
Paul's College on Monday, the 19th inst., at
5 p.m. Address on missionary work will be
given by Miss Eyre and the Rev. W. E. Hip-
well. The Hon. Capt. L. Barnes-Lawrence,
R.N., will preside. All interested in missionary
work are invited to attend.

AMONG the passengers for Europe by the Im-
perial German mail s.s. *Prusien*, were Mr. R.
Pescio, proprietor of Messrs. Gregor and Co.,
of No. 19, Queen's Road Central, wine mer-
chants, and Mrs. Pescio. Mr. Pescio goes for
a tour round the wine districts of Europe in
the interests of his firm, and expects to be
away between five and six months.

MR. C. Mooney, of the Hongkong Hotel, sum-
moned a woman named Wong Ho, at the
Police Court this afternoon, for behaving in a
disorderly manner in Arbutnot Road on the
11th inst., and for using abusive language.
There was also a cross-summons against
Mooney and his wife for assault. In the first
summons Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared
for the defence. The complainant produced a
doctor's certificate and asked for an adjourn-
ment on the ground that his wife was unable
to appear in Court. The case was adjourned
sine die.

THE Japanese Training Squadron, under the
command of Admiral Shimamura, is now mak-
ing preparations for a long cruise along the
coasts of Korea, China, Philippines, Australia,
Sri Lanka, and Formosa. Sailing from
Yokosuka on February 15th, it will visit ports
in Korea and North China and arrive at Shang-
hai on March 13th, at Hongkong on the 22nd
and Manila on the 31st. Then it will visit
Australian ports, being due at Singapore on
July 4th. It will leave the Colonial port for
the Pescadores on July 23rd. From Formosa
the fleet is to return to Yokosuka on August
25th, by way of Takeshiki, Gensan and
Ominato.

A DESPATCH from the Shanghai Taotai in
response to the resignation petitioned by the
Mixed Court Magistrate Kwan, is as follows:—
The Mixed Court post is a hard and respon-
sible one and unless one is capable he will not
be able to hold the office. Since the magis-
trate came to the post he has done everything
according to the laws and regulations with
energy, for the preservation of the suzerainty;
and in the interests of the people. The people
highly praise him for his efforts. Whatever
unfair comments published in the foreign
newspapers emanated from private individuals
are unworthy of attention, henceforth it is to be
hoped he will still be patient and faithful to
his duty and not possess any idea of resigning.

AN earthquake of great duration was ex-
perienced a fortnight ago in Tokyo, Yokohama,
and the adjacent parts. Beginning at 10.51
p.m. the earth movements lasted for eight
minutes and forty-two seconds, both horizontal
and vertical motions being involved. The
preliminary tremors continued for thirteen
seconds; the vibration then became violent,
reaching on the earth level two and three mil-
limetres and lasting for forty-one seconds; slight
motions ensued for thirteen seconds and these
were succeeded by severe horizontal and verti-
cal motions, becoming gradually gentle till
the close. The Yokohama Meteorological
office observations are as follows: Maximum
amplitude of horizontal motion 6.8 millimetres
per 1.6 second; maximum amplitude of vertical
motion 0.07 millimetres per 1 second. Direction
N.N.E. to S.S.W. Origin of earthquake, Tokyo
Bay. The shocks were felt over a wide
area but the severe motions were limited in
extent. No damage has to be reported in
Yokohama. About the same time a similar
severe shock was felt in Tokyo, the duration
being about four minutes.—*Japan Mail*.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO

STEAMBOAT CO., LD.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The seventy-ninth ordinary half-yearly meet-
ing of shareholders in the above company was
held at the company's office, Hotel Mansions,
at 11 o'clock in the forenoon to-day for the
purpose of receiving a report of the directors,
together with a statement of accounts, declaring
a dividend, confirming the appointment of
directors, and electing auditors.

The following gentlemen were present:—
Messrs. E. Goetz (chairman); N. A. Siebs, F.
Saling, A. Haupt, E. Fuhrmann, C. Lenz-
mann, Hon. Mr. R. Shewan, W. A. Cruickshank,
directors; and T. Arnold (secretary). Messrs.
W. E. Clarke, J. Arnold, J. R. Michael, G. T.
Veitch, P. Tester, L. Berindogae, G. de
Champeaux and E. A. Stanton.

The Secretary having read the notice con-
vening the meeting,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—With
your permission the report and accounts will
as usual, be taken as read. The present posi-
tion of the Company is so clearly set forth
therein that it is unnecessary for me to detain
you with many remarks. Competition, as you
are aware, is as keen as ever on all the lines
occupied by the Company's steamers; but,
even with this drawback, the result of several
half-years working under similar adverse con-
ditions warrants us in the belief that we shall
be able to maintain the present dividend of
one dollar. You will observe that the amount
it is proposed to carry forward is larger than
that brought over from the previous half-year;
but, on the other hand, repairs to be effected
during the current six months will be some-
what heavier than usual owing to new wooden
decks being required for the *Honani* and *Fat-
shan* in addition to the customary overhauling
repairs. Turning to the balance sheet I don't
think that there is any item which calls for
special comment; I will merely remark that, as
usual, our investments in stocks stand at a figure
well within their market value and that for every
loan on mortgage there is a satisfactory margin.
As you no doubt have already learned, our
Secretary has been advised to leave the
East on account of failing health. I need
hardly tell you that the Board very much
regrets to lose his services after having been
in the Company for over twenty-two years, and
in order to mark our appreciation of Mr.
Arnold's long and faithful services, the Board
has decided to grant him a year's pay as re-
tiring allowance and have no doubt that this
will meet with your approval. We have ap-
pointed Captain Clarke who has served the
Company for twenty-eight years as his successor.
Before proposing the adoption of the report
and accounts as presented I shall be pleased
to answer any questions bearing thereon which
shareholders may wish to ask.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the
report and accounts. Mr. J. R. Michael
seconded.—Carried.

Mr. L. Berindogae proposed and it was
seconded by Capt. W. E. Clarke that the appoint-
ments of Messrs. W. A. C. Cruickshank and
C. R. Lenzmann to the Board of Directors be
confirmed.—Carried.

On the motion of Mr. G. de Champeaux,
seconded by Mr. P. Tester, Messrs. A. O'D.
Gourdin and W. H. Potts were re-elected
auditors.

Mr. J. R. Michael then suggested that the
Board should present Mr. Arnold with some
souvenir for his long and faithful services.

The Chairman said that the Board will con-
sider the matter.

The meeting then terminated.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The twenty-fifth ordinary annual meeting of
shareholders in the Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.,
was held at the office of the general managers,
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., at 12.30
p.m. to-day, to receive the annual statement
of accounts and report of the general man-
agers. Those present were: Hon. Mr. C. W.
Dickson, (chairman), Messrs. W. Parlane,
W. A. Cruickshank, H. W. Looker, C. D.
Wilkinson, C. H. Ross, H. P. White, Lo
Cheung Shu, Ho Fook, C. W. May, and
A. B. Smith, and W. G. Ross (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice con-
vening the meeting,

The Chairman said:—I propose if you are
agreeable to take the report and accounts as
read. Our sales of ice, both to steamers and
for private consumption, were larger than dur-
ing 1904, and revenue derived from cold
storage also shows a satisfactory increase. To
meet the demand on this branch of our busi-
ness an additional store was insulated during
the year and the completion of another,
making five in all, is about to be under-
taken. The seven new ice boxes referred to
at last meeting are now in course of erection,
and the establishment is in a position to supply
a considerably larger quantity of ice than
there has been a demand for. The appropri-
ations suggested in the report will, I hope,
commend themselves to you; they are dictated
by a desire to strengthen the Company in view
of possible opposition which has been much
talked of. Before proposing the adoption of
the report and accounts I will be pleased to
answer any questions you may wish to put.

No questions being asked, the chairman
proposed the adoption of the report and ac-
counts as submitted to the shareholders.

Mr. Wilkinson seconded, carried nem. con.

The Chairman proposed, and Mr. Looker
seconded, the re-election of Mr. Thos. Arnold
as auditor for the ensuing year, which was
carried unanimously.

The Chairman: That concludes the busi-
ness before the meeting, gentlemen; dividend
warrants will be ready to-morrow morning.

A SENSATION has been caused in musical
circles by the rash act of an Infant Prodigy.
He has absolutely insisted on appearing on the
stage in trousers.

BANKRUPTCIES.

THE KUNG CHIN FIRM.

In Bankruptcy Jurisdiction this morning,
His Honour Sir Francis Pigott, Chief Justice,
presiding, Mr. C. F. Bailey, of Messrs. Johnson
Stokes and Master, applied for a receiving order
re the Kung Chin firm, *ex parte* McEwen
Frickel and Company, the act of bankruptcy
being that the debtor had left the Court with
the object of defrauding his creditors. Mr.
Bailey stated that when he put in his affidavit
he was informed by the Registrar that there
were not enough facts stated in such affidavit
for him to get a receiving order, and the ap-
plication was adjourned. In the meantime
Mr. G. H. Hall Brutton had filed an applica-
tion for a receiving order against the same
debtor, and got it.

His Honour: But you are not going to deal
with that now?

Mr. Bailey: No, your Lordship; I merely
mention it as I would submit, and I don't
think my friend Mr. Brutton has any objec-
tion, that the two orders should be consolidated.

Mr. Brutton: I have no objection, my Lord.
The order was made accordingly, and the
Court adjourned.

NOT A BANKRUPT.

In Bankruptcy Jurisdiction this morning,
His Honour Sir Francis Pigott, Chief Justice,
presiding, Mr. H. K. Holmes made an applica-
tion for a receiving order against Hok Wo
Chun, *ex parte* Hegnu Hun Shin Kee, the
ground for the application being a note of sus-
pension of payment of his debts a certified
translation of which Mr. Holmes produced and
handed in to the Court. This note was in the
form of a letter from the debtor to the peti-
tioning creditor in which the former stated that
owing to the non-receipt of payment of certain
foreign accounts, he was unable for the present
to pay his debt of \$500, and stating that under
the circumstances he must have time to do so,
for which he begged to be excused. This note
was signed and chopped with the debtor's chop.
His Honour, looking at the note, said that it
was no act of bankruptcy, as it was no sus-
pension of the debt, to the petitioner, but
merely a notice of his inability at present to
pay the debt, with reasons, and asking for time,
or rather stating that he must take time. That
did not constitute an act of bankruptcy and he
must refuse the application.

MR. HUTTENBACH O.N.
EXCHANGE.

After Government had fixed the ratio we
(*Singapore Free Press*, Feb. 6) telegraphed to
our Penang correspondent to get Mr. Hutten-
bach's views on the position. Mr. Huttenbach
to-day writes us further as follows:—"When I
spoke with your reporter the impression was
that 2/4 was a temporary rate only, in order to
check a further rise. It has been learnt since
that 2/4 is to be the final ratio. Had the Govern-
ment policy been to postpone fixing indefinitely,
many, I amongst them, would have preferred
a 2/- dollar, but an immediate and final fixing
as now done is preferable as tending to
save further dislocation. The sooner we really
get fixity the better, even at a 2/4 dollar.
Fixing the rate is not fixity; the time it will
take to obtain the latter will depend on how
things are now handled. The quickest and at
the same time the most advantageous way to
obtain it would be the gold currency so gen-
erally desired. To fully go into this to-day
would take too long, but you might call atten-
tion to the fact that, as the position now
stands, two points seem impracticable. The
Currency Note Ordinance as amended on
Monday last, and the rate of 2/4.

Under the Currency Note Ordinance the
Government is pledged to sell notes against
gold and at the same time is bound to give
silver for all notes tendered. This could
lead to the Colony having to suspend pay-
ment, since anyone buying say twenty mil-
lions worth of notes and insisting on his
right to get silver in exchange, would make it
impossible for Government to fulfil its obli-
gations. Of course this is an extreme case and
one not likely to happen, but in any case, as
the Ordinance now stands this obligation is
inconvenient and could prove so troublesome
that it seems to require further amendment,
such for instance as giving Government the
option to redeem notes in either silver or gold.

The rate of 2/4 is an unnecessarily com-
plicated one since it cannot work smoothly.
Dollars must be paid for in gold, but the
sovereign is not divisible by 2/4 nor is there a
fraction of the dollar to suit. If one sover-
eign be tendered to get dollars a simple
calculation will show that this is impossible
because there is no existent fraction of a
cent to square the transaction. It is believed
that the slight alteration of making the rate
such that notes can be bought against
gold at the rate of eight dollars fifty to the
sovereign, would do all that is required for
purposes of fixity. It would also do away with
the difficulty referred to above and make no ap-
preciable difference to the mercantile i.e. bank
rate. Besides being more convenient, it is
indispensable, it would also prove an advan-
tage by keeping open the royal road to a gold
currency, since at the right time, which need
not now be far distant, when the sovereign is
made legal tender, it would be more easily
done.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 15th at 11.40 a. The barometer has
risen in Japan, and fallen over the Loochoos,
and the E. coast of China.

Pressure is highest over the Yellow Sea, and
a shallow area of low pressure is lying near the
Southern Loochoos.

Moderate to fresh monsoon is indicated in
the Formosa Channel, and moderate monsoon
in the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—moderate N.E. winds; misty, rain
at times.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
SERVICE.

THE SHANGHAI DOCK AND
ENGINEERING CO., LD.

RECONSTRUCTION SCHEME
CONFIRMED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 15th February,
11.20 a.m.

At a special meeting of share-
holders in the old company of S. O.
Farnham, Boyd and Co., Ltd., held
yesterday for winding up the old
Company and reconstructing it under
the name of the Shanghai Dock and
Engineering Co., Ltd., the scheme
was unanimously confirmed by the
shareholders.

[Reuters.]

The Proposed Grant for the
Philippines.

LONDON, 13th February.

The Committee of Appropriations have
refused the supplementary credit asked for
by Secretary Taft, admitting that they did
not intend sending troops until it was evi-
dent that Americans in China needed pro-
tection.

Later.

The American Fisheries.

The United States Congress is discussing
a Bill to exclude alien fishermen from Alaska.
The Bill is aimed at checking the Japanese.

Franco-Russian Commercial
Treaty.

The French Chamber has adopted the
Franco-Russian commercial treaty by 407 to
55.

[Straits Times.]

Battle Practice Firing.

London, 5th February.

The returns of battle practice firing in the
British Navy for 1905 are now issued.

The Channel Squadron scored 157 points,
the Third Cruiser Squadron 147 points, the
Mediterranean 133 points, the Atlantic 91
points, the China 65 points, the East Indies 37
points.

The *Daily Telegraph* comments upon the
falling-off in the shooting of the China squadron,
pointing out that Admiral Sir Gerard Noel's
flagship, the *Gloria*, scored only 11 points, and
the *Albatross* 46 points, compared with the *Ex-
mouth*'s 374 points.

Vice-Admiral Sir G. L. Atkinson-Willer's
vessel, the *Hyacinth*, made only 7 points.

FOR THE "CAO BANG."

Later reports on the position of the wrecked
steamer *Cao Bang*, which has been ashore in
Pulo Canton for about six weeks past, as it
ready recorded in these columns, not being I
together favourable from a salvage point of
view, the owners, the Messageries Maritimes,
have decided to despatch an expert salvage
engineer from Marseilles to the scene of the
wreck, and this gentleman, we are informed by
Mons. Champeaux, the local agent of the Com-
pany, is now on his way out, and any action
the Company may decide to take as regards
an attempt to save the stranded vessel, will de-
pend entirely on the expert's report.

IN France children are taught as a duty that
they have to put aside a share of their toy
money, and their clothes for the poor.
"Your brothers and sisters," says their mother
on State occasions, such as Easter, the New
Year, and All Hallows' Eve, the poor are
specially remembered.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 16th inst.

French (*Oceanien*) 19th inst.

The s.s. *Yawata Maru* is due to arrive
here on 20th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Formosa* left
Singapore for this port on 14th inst., at 1 a.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Siboria* left Yokohama
yesterday, and is expected to arrive here
on 24th inst.

The Great Northern s.s. *Minnesota* left Seattle
on 1st inst., for Hongkong via Japan port
and Shanghai.

The P. & A. s.s. *Nicomedia* sailed from Port-
land on 13th inst., and should arrive in Hong-
kong on 13th prox.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Oceanien*, with the next
French mail, will leave Saigon on 16th inst.,
at 5 p.m., for this port.

The Java-China

TELEGRAMS:

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE SHANGHAI RIOTS.

CLAIM FOR INDEMNITY.

SATOW DEMANDS TIS. 80,000.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 15th February, 11.20 a.m.

It is reported from Peking that the British Minister, Sir Ernest Satow, has lodged a claim for an indemnity from the Chinese Government for losses and damage sustained in the recent riots at Shanghai.

The amount claimed by the British Minister is eighty thousand taels.

[Kaiser's.]

The Japanese Minister to Vienna, LONDON, 13th February.

The Japanese Minister Makino has left Vienna for Japan.

Most of the Ambassadors bade him farewell.

The Morocco Conference.

The gravity of the situation at Algiers absorbs the attention of monetary circles.

France insists on controlling and officiating the police, composed of Moors, in ports and towns where insecurity is notorious, and possibly also in Fez.

Germany apparently wishes to allot this privilege to secondary European states, none of which, however, are desirous of accepting it.

Later.

Semi-official recriminations continued yesterday, but telegrams from Algiers at midnight state that a real improvement is manifest and the uneasiness has disappeared.

PERSIMMONS IN COURT.

PLAINTIFF NON-SUITED.

In Summary Jurisdiction this morning, His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, presiding, the case in which the Kwong Wing Tai firm sued the King Wo firm for recovery of the sum of \$149.83, being the proceeds of the sale of 49 crates of dried persimmons, sold by defendants on behalf of the plaintiff firm in February of last year, less the usual commission due to the defendants on the transaction, was resumed. Mr. C. F. Dixon, of Mr. John Hastings' office, appeared for the plaintiff firm, and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, of Messrs. Brutton, Hett and Goldring, appeared for the defendant firm. It will be remembered that at the last hearing of this case on the 7th inst., the question was raised as to the actual ownership of the persimmons, the defendants claiming that the persimmons were brought to them for sale by one Lo Ho Cheung, to whom the money for the same had been paid after sale. The evidence on both sides was very conflicting and the case was adjourned in order to secure the attendance of Cheuk Sing, a material witness for the plaintiff, who had gone to Canton. This witness appeared this morning and stated that Lo Cheung had nothing to do with the transaction; that witness's *fakti* had taken the goods to the defendant firm.

The goods did not belong to the firm, and as the suit was brought in the firm's name instead of in the name of the partner owning the goods it was bad, and the plaintiffs must be non-suited with costs.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN DESERTER.

At the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, William Hodgson, ex-soldier, appeared before the Court on a charge of deserting from the Third Middlesex Regiment in South Africa on the 10th October, 1904.

Sgt. Mitchell, West Kent, prosecuted. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge.

The circumstances of this case were reported by us on the other day.

His Worship—I make an order under the Army Act that you be delivered in custody to the Military Authorities until such time as you may be sent home.

STREET HOLD-UP.

Inspector Warnock placed three men before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, on a charge of holding up a man in Bridges Street last night and robbing him. From the evidence of the complainant—a farmer—it appears that passing along Bridges Street last night he was held up by six men. They robbed him of his purse and also relieved him of his wallet. They wanted to take his coat, but the farmer told the robbers that if they came with him to a certain shop he would pay them some money in lieu of parting with the jacket. One of the gang was deputed to go with the farmer and get the money. On arriving at the shop the farmer gave the alarm and the robber was arrested. Two other men were captured the same night. On conviction this morning they got off lightly with a sentence of fifteen days' hard labour each and six hours' stocks.

SHAM LUNATIC.

A very amusing scene was enacted at the Police Court this morning when two burly Indian policemen lifted into Court a native, with a bandage round his ankle, and placed him on the floor. This Chinaman pretended to be insane and thought by this means of succeeding in evading punishment. The man is an old offender and was banished from the Colony on several occasions. On the 12th instant he again returned to the Colony and was seen by an officer of the law to commit a larceny at West Point. A chase ensued and the thief fell and hurt his ankle. He was taken to No. 7 Police Station where he got so disorderly that he was removed to hospital. In the hospital he pretended to be raving mad, but the doctors stated that there was nothing wrong with the man and that he was only shamming. He would not walk when admitted into hospital, but a day later made a vain attempt to escape from custody. This morning he was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland in answer to two charges, that of returning from banishment, and theft. The defendant who was propped up against the dock would not plead, and the case was adjourned.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

We have received from the Shanghai office of the *Ostasiatische Lloyd* the following communication written by that journal's Berlin correspondent:

Alexandre Ullar, whose skill as a journalist is only excelled by his unscrupulousness, reveals in the *Franko-Egyptian* organ "Les Pyramides" the objects of the German Morocco policy. He pretends to have learnt in Berlin on good authority—which by the way he fails to name—that Germany's entire endeavours in the Morocco affair are directed towards obtaining Mogador on the Moroccan coast as a naval base. According to him, the German Ambassador in Paris, Prince Radolin, made the proposal to the French Premier, Rouvier, that France should let Germany have Mogador, and then Germany would concede to France the predominant influence in the rest of Morocco. Rouvier refused to entertain the proposal. I have always considered M. Rouvier a very able politician, but I never knew that he was as magnanimous as he doubtless must be according to Ullar's revelations. How is it that Rouvier merely took note of the proposal of Radolin, without immediately making it public? The troublesome negotiations, that went on for weeks between Rouvier and Radolin and between Revoil and Rosen might have been spared, and the delegates of the Powers would have been able to avoid making acquaintance with that dirty hole, Algiers, and M. Rouvier been less discreet. By the publishing of Radolin's proposal indeed, the selfishness of the German policy in the Morocco Question would have been so plainly evident that Germany would have had neither the Sultan of Morocco nor any one else on her side.

The reason M. Rouvier never published Radolin's proposal was indeed not out of good-heartedness, but because the proposal had no existence outside the imagination of M. Ullar. What Germany wants is shown by the outlines of the programme agreed upon between Rouvier and Radolin on September 28, 1905. Germany is willing to agree that the French, owing to the contiguity of the French and Algerian frontiers, should have the special right of regulating the police control of the border districts, and as far as regards the rest she desires that neither in political, military, police or commercial affairs should any single power have a privileged position; but that all these questions should be subject to international arrangement, on the basis of the equality of the Powers. From the programme of September 28th, 1905, published not only by Germany but also by France it is clear that France is in agreement with this basis for the discussions of the Conference. Certainly in many quarters it is asserted that meanwhile France has again considered the matter and determined to demand the police control not only of the border districts, but also of the whole of Morocco, as well as the monopoly of the concessions for loans made by the Sultan or the Moroccan State.

This would mean nothing more nor less than that Morocco should become completely subject to France. For whoever has the control of the military and the police of the country must rule the country also, and whoever grants the loans is predominant economically. That a creditor has better chances than other persons of obtaining orders from the debtor holds true of nations no less than of individuals. There is no real reason why the French should have a monopoly of the loans and financial control and there is no lack of examples of the efficacy of international financial control. It is certain that the German delegates to the Conference will enter an emphatic protest against any such French demands, and that if they should be outvoted, the Conference will fail to arrive at any result by reason of the lack of unanimity. The German representatives will feel strengthened in this attitude by the consciousness that they are not only protecting Germany, but also international interests. This is why also the English and Spanish residents in Morocco take the same standpoint as Germany, because they recognise that this point of view represents their interests best, whilst a French monopoly would be highly dangerous to them.

Whilst explaining the attitude the German delegates in Algiers are likely to adopt, I have at the same time offered the best possible refutation of the invention of M. Ullar. That gentleman, at the close of his article, advises the German Emperor to replace his diplomatists by English ones. M. Ullar is too modest. I certainly have great esteem for the skillfulness of English diplomacy, but there are people who assert—I am not one of them, but M. Ullar surely is—that a forehead of iron is the first essential for a diplomatist. If that is so, the Emperor William will have to place M. Ullar and not an English diplomatist in the place of Prince Lilow. His singleness of heart will certainly not hinder him from accepting the post.

THE "DONGOLA" DRAFT THEFT.

The local Police, says the *Singapore Free Press*, of the 7th instant, have up to the present found no trace of the draft for £200 stolen from one of Prince Arthur of Connaught's suite on the P. & O. mail steamer *Dongola* though inquiries have been made at all the Banks and warning issued that the draft if presented is not to be honoured, whilst the presenter is to be detained pending the arrival of the Police. With this draft a number of sovereigns also disappeared.

The missing draft was a Foreign Office demand draft for £200 and is stated to have been brought to Lord Redesdale and is supposed to have "vanished" just before the arrival of the *Dongola* at Penang. The Singapore Police are making every effort to recover the draft and a wire giving details of the affair has been despatched to Mr. Newland, C. P. O., at Penang. It is, however, stated on good authority that the draft is useless as it would be impossible to cash a draft of its description at any bank without the presenter being able to clearly authenticate his right to it.

A draft of the same class as the missing one was cashed at the Hongkong Bank on Saturday by a member of Prince Arthur's suite for current expenses whilst the party was at Singapore.

THE EMPIRE OF BUSINESS.

AUSTRALIA'S OPPORTUNITIES IN THE EAST. SHANGHAI THE GREATEST PORT IN THE WORLD.

Colonel Geo. W. Bell, ex-U.S.A. Consul in Sydney, lectured last month to a large audience, on "The Empire of Business."

The Colonel said he had never done an improper thing in his life, and he did not feel called upon to give an explanation of his reason for delivering a lecture on the Empire of Business. He would not trespass on incorrect things, either fiscal or otherwise. Business was the dominant thought of the present age, and business was based on natural impulses. This was the most wonderful age in the history of the world. This old world had changed considerably since our ancestors left their caves and, club on shoulder, hunted snakes for breakfast. The world had gone on advancing slowly but steadily, always growing better. Why, even the youth of to-day were better than their fathers. The older generations could never have overcome the difficulties the youth of to-day took as a matter of course, and surmounted, feeling stronger to face the other difficulties to come.

The world was confronted with stupendous difficulties to-day. Every nation found a competitor in every other nation. Even our great warships, our armies, and our big guns, meant business, for war in the present age was really the outcome of business.

Away in the East there had just risen a new star, great and grand enough to engage the thoughts of the business brains of our race, and one which could not be overlooked by business people. Half a century ago Japan was only a name, now that country was a mighty factor in the world's commerce. In the last 50 years Hongkong had grown from a tiny village to the second or third part of the world, and it only got the fringe of China's trade. When China woke what would that port become? That was only one instance of what business could do, but the time was coming when Shanghai would soon be the greatest port in the world—when compared with it London and New York would sink into insignificance.

One could measure a nation by her ledgers, the Colonel continued. Russia, with her 120,000,000 of inhabitants did not import as much as 4,000,000 Australians, and everyone knew that Australia was in advance of Russia—Australia was more civilised—why? Because her commerce proved it. A little more than 50 years ago China was only a geographical expression to educated men, and China had been, and ever would be an enigma to the Occident. But China had a great field of commerce, and that field could really only be reached through Japan, which would reach out and absorb the commercial instincts of the West, and apply them to China. Even America had been crawling along at a snail's pace compared to Japan, and Americans were the salt of the earth, as far as hustle went—at least, they thought they were.

China would shortly need 200,000 miles of railway, and she would want them quickly when she makes up her mind. Australians occupy the happiest position of any people on this globe, but it lacked one thing—people. Commerce was knocking at our gates, and the future prosperity of Australia was hanging on the population question. America brought men by contract to populate her lands. She placed strong, sturdy men on her lands from Europe, and now those men were the finest asset of the States. Other men with a little money followed them. The States had proved to the rest of the world what a steadily increasing population could do for a country, and business—well, America was the land of business.

America had made her lands attractive to settlers, and Australia must do the same if she hoped to attract the right kind of man with his wife and family to come and settle on them. Only a small part of Australia would be attractive to the average European. The climatic conditions were so different. An agriculturalist from Northern Europe could not be expected to settle in the tropics, in Northern Australia. He would be a failure. Tropics were for black people. White folks in the tropics deteriorated, and if the white man was forced to work under those opposite conditions he would become a failure.

God had given the brown man to cultivate the tropics, and no crop of sugar, tobacco, cotton, silk, indigo, or coffee was ever raised by white labour at high wages to a profit. "Should our Northern Territory be allowed to waste, then?" the Colonel asked. His answer was "No," because it would be unbusiness-like and if we were to go ahead, we must be above everything, men of business.—*Sydney Evening News*.

HONGKONG & WHAMPONG DOCK CO., LTD.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.

Following is the report of the board of directors of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders to be held at the offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, on Monday, the 16th inst., at 11 o'clock noon:

To the shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited.

Gentlemen,—The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1905.

The net profit for the six months, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to \$171,649.83 to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account \$501,332.27

leaving available for appropriation \$672,982.10

Directors' fees \$10,000.00

Auditors' fees 750.00

10,750.00

The directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 12% or \$300,000.00 be paid to the shareholders, and the balance \$372,982.10 be carried to the new account.

During the past six months 3 steel steam water-boats, one steel water-barge, a wooden lighter, and 2 large steam-launches have been completed and delivered.

The dredger *Canton River* was employed at Canton removing barriers for the Imperial Chinese Maritime Customs until 15th August since when the vessel has been laid up unemployed, the other work referred to in the last report not having been commenced.

Electric drive is now being fitted in the Saw Mill, and a 40-ton Electric Crab for the Boiler Shop. Travelling Cranes are now in course of erection.

Directors.—Mr. E. S. Whalley, the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mr. E. W. Tilden having left the Colony, Mr. G. H. Medhurst, the Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickinson and Mr. S. Silverstone have been invited by the directors to the vacant seats at the Board. These appointments require to be confirmed by the shareholders at this meeting.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the articles of the association Mr. H. P. White and Mr. E. Goetz retire by rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Sir C. Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., has been re-appointed chairman for the year 1906.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Thomas Arnold and H. U. Jeffries. The directors recommend Messrs. Arnold and Jeffries for re-election.

C. P. CHATER, Chairman.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906.

The accounts are as follows:—

ASSETS.

31st December, 1905.

Aberdeen.

To value of Aberdeen docks, as per last statement, \$ 100,000.00

Kowloon.

To value of Kowloon docks, as per last statement, \$2,364,407.34

Less amount since written off, 14,407.34

\$2,350,000.00

To amount paid on account of new electric installation, 4,819.00

" amount paid on account of shipyard, machine shed and boiler shop extension, 9,170.00

" amount paid on account of new drawing office, 5,233.71

" amount paid on account of hydraulic plant, new accumulator and installing same, 3,742.00

" Cost of 8-ton locomotive crane and rails, and installing same, 5,734.00

" Cost of 40-ton electric crab for boiler shop, 7,950.00

" cost new machines for fitting shop, 1,043.00

" cost of 6 trunks for main entrance, 630.00

" cost of 31 in. vertical centrifugal pumps for salvage plant, 8,613.00

2,396,934.71

Cosmopolitan.

Value of Cosmopolitan dock, as per last statement, 300,000.00

" Amount paid building 3 cook-houses for European quarters, with rooms for Chinese servants, making and fitting cooking stoves in same, 1,712.45

301,712.45

Value of tugs, dredgers, launches, and lighters, 496,555.89

Sundry debtors, 375,405.30

Value of material on hand, 1,950,411.52

\$5,621,079.87

LIABILITIES.

December 31, 1905.

By shareholders for 50,000 shares of 50 each, fully paid up, \$2,500,000.00

By dividend, 20,000.00

Less repayments, 16,622.37

\$2,503,377.63

By Marine Insurance account, 49,500.00

By Sundry creditors, 2,361,748.82

By Balance of profit brought forward from last account, 501,332.27

By Profit, 171,649.83

\$5,621,079.87

December 31, 1905.

To interest, \$61,562.75

" Crown rent, 3,119.05

" Fire Insurance, 3,251.83

" Office expenses, salaries, stationery and rent of head office, 35,625.90

" Telegrams, 2,402.92

" Legal expenses, 165.00

" Marine Insurance account, 8,000.00

" Towage, 391.00

Profit, 171,649.83

\$86,168.68

1st July to 31st December, 1905.
By net earnings of the Company's three establishments, \$281,691.95
" dredger net earnings, 2,348.91
" bonus on insurance premia, &c., 1,827.79
\$285,868.65

COMMERCIAL.

SHANGHAI SHARE MARKET.

Advices from Shanghai, bearing date 10th inst., state:—Business reported:—Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves at Tls. 230 for March. Union Insurance at \$735. Farnham Boys at Tls. 127 and Tls. 126 for July.

Business done direct:—Indo-Chinas at Tls. 6 1/2 cash. Farnham Boys at Tls. 128 for July. A. S. Watsons at Tls. 573 ex 7 1/4. Wei-hai-wei Golds at \$13 for \$19 paid up scrip.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of \$1.00 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held this day, will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1906.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [233]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Hon. the Harbour Master, to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

THURSDAY,

the 22nd February, 1906, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street.

FIVE CASES RIFLES AND EXPLOSIVES. N.B.—Inspecting Orders can be had on application at the Government Gunpowder Depot, Green Island.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [232]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

"PRINCESS TOTO."

A Comic Opera in Three Acts, By W. S. GILBERT, will be produced

TO-NIGHT,

(THURSDAY), 15th February, 1906.

FRIDAY, 16th "

SATURDAY, 17th "

SUNDAY, 19th "

TUESDAY, 20th "

WEDNESDAY, 21st "

Prices:—\$3, \$2 and \$1.

Sailors and Soldiers in uniform half-price to Pit and Pit Stalls.

Doors Open at 8.30 P.M. Performance at 9 P.M.

Booking Office at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., open on and after FRIDAY, the 9th February, from 10 A.M. to 4.30 P.M. each day.

M. S. NORTHCOTE, Business Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [192]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMSANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 17th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [16]

PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ARABIA,"

FROM PORTLAND (OR), YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

S. SILVERSTONE, Acting General Agent.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [16]

CANADIAN SALMON

AND

HALIBUT.

FRESH AND NICE.

40 CENTS PER LB.

THE HONGKONG FROZEN

FOOD SUPPLY.

SEE OUR PRICE LIST ON PAGE 8.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [15]

Intimations.

ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.

THE APOLLO PIANO PLAYER

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Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

OUTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTZE"	17th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	18th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	27th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEENKAI"	13th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	20th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	27th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	28th "

The S.S. "Yangtze" left Singapore on the morning of the 12th inst., and is due here on the 17th.

The S.S. "Laertes" left Singapore on the 12th inst., p.m., and is due here on the 18th.

HOMEWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"ANTENOR"	20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	27th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	13th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"PELEUS"	20th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	27th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	10th April.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"AGAMEMNON"	20th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	24th "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

OPERATING IN CONJUNCTION WITH

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL
OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"YANGTZE"	19th February.
	"KEEMUN"	24th March.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"OANFA"	1st March.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	16th February.
SHANGHAI	"KIUKIANG"	20th "
MANILA	"TAMING"	20th "
SHANGHAI	"PAOTING"	21st "
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DAR- WIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK- TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	28th "

The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is carried.† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian
Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.



HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. Almond	MANILA	SATURDAY, 17th Feb., at Noon.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	"	SATURDAY, 24th Feb., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906.



HONGKONG—NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC
STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR NEW YORK via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
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For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1905.

THIN TING.

LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO AT NO. 14, DAQUAN STREET.

REASONABLE FEES.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 6th July, 1904.

Dr. M. H. CHAUN.

THE LATEST METHOD

OF THE

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

37, DES VOUX ROAD CENTRAL.

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG—MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI."

Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sundays
at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 3.30 P.M.,
if tide permits.FARES.—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$3 1/2 Return-Ticket,
\$5; 2nd Class, \$2; 3rd Class, 50 cents.Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates.—1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single,
50 cents, Return, 25 cents; Stewards, 10 cents.Breakfast, Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

Tons Captain

"KWONG CHOW" 1,309 T. R. MEAD

"KWONG TUNG" 1,338 H. W. WALKER

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every

evening (Saturday excepted).

Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30

o'clock every evening (Sunday excepted).

These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled

Accommodation for First Class Passengers and

are lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans

in First Class Cabins.

Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4

Meals \$1 each

The Company's Wharf is a short distance

West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and

YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,

No. 2, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1905.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	On
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHOYANG"	SATURDAY, 17th Feb., 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALOUTTA	"NAMSANG"	THURSDAY, 22nd Feb., 3 P.M.

* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
throughout with Electric Light.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo and Yangtze Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA,

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"ARABIA"	4,483	Metzenhain	WEDNESDAY, February 21st, 5 P.M.
"ARAGONIA"	5,193	Ernst	March 11th.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagmann	March 23rd.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Feldmann	April 8th.

The S.S. "Nicomedia" left Portland on the 13th instant, and is due here about March 13th.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and

United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate

with or apply to

S. SILVERSTONE, Acting General Agent.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENLARIQ"

Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above,

on or about the 23rd instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1906.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Manila, Port Darwin and

Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to

Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN"

Captain Powell, will be despatched for the

above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 3rd March,

at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted

for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-
sions, Ice, etc., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with

the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon

are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of

passengers the steamers of the Company have

electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY

COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA,

via

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer Tons Captain Sailing.

Tremont 9,606 T. W. Garlick 24th Feb.

Lyra 4,417 G. V. Williams

Shawmut 9,606 E. V. Roberts

* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,

ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC

LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.

The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont

are fitted with very superior accommodation

for first and second class passengers. The

large size of these vessels ensures steadiness

at sea. Electric fan in each room.

Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo

carried in cold storage.

For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents.

Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,

via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Steamship About

"ST. GEORGE" 20th February.

"SHIMOSA" to follow.

For Freight and further information, apply

to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

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Shipping—Steamer.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"OCEANIE"

Captain Courret, will be despatched as above,

on or about MONDAY, the 19th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

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Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BANCA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,

PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are

being landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 20th instant, at

4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Consignees'

and the Company's representative at an

appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten

days of the steamer's arrival here after which

date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"PERA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,

PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are

being landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c., ex S.S. *Peshawar*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 19th instant, at

4 P.M.,

Intimations.

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

LETTER TO POLICYHOLDERS FROM THE PRESIDENT.

NEW YORK, December 14th, 1905.
TO THE POLICYHOLDERS:

I HAD hoped to make some statement to you before this, but I have believed it was best to wait until I could give you a final conclusion in regard to the financial condition of the Society based on full investigation. This explains the delay in communicating with you. On June 9th last, under the condition that I should have full power as to men and methods, and with no pledges of any kind to any one, I was elected by the Directors of the Society as Chairman of the BOARD, and at once assumed the active management of the Society's affairs.

Soon after I was elected PRESIDENT of the SOCIETY and the Office of Chairman was abolished.

One of the first acts of my administration was the employment of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company, chartered accountants of Great Britain and New York, and Messrs. Haskins & Sells, certified public accountants of New York, to investigate the affairs of the Society, under directions in regard to complete and exhaustive reports on the following subjects:

1. The Society's advertising expenses, agency expenses, and cost of securing business.
2. The real estate investments of the Company, including in the case of each parcel the value at which it is carried upon the books of the Society; the income which it yields; and the fair valuation of the property, whether above or below the value at which it is carried upon the books of the Society. (If necessary, real estate experts may be employed in ascertaining the value and income of the real estate, subject, of course, to my approval as to men and terms.)
3. The other investments of the Society; their character; and the circumstances under which they have been made.

4. The Society's surplus and the manner in which it is carried upon the books of the Society.

5. The methods of keeping the Society's accounts, and the respects in which its accounting may be improved.
6. The relations between the Society and the trust companies, banks, safe deposit companies, and other institutions with which the Society is affiliated, by ownership of considerable amount of stock or otherwise. (In the case of every corporation in which the Society has a dominant or important interest, or with which the Society has special relations, the ownership of stock, other than that owned by the Society, should be ascertained so far as practicable.)

7. The subjects covered by the report of the Investigating Committee of which Mr. Frick was Chairman should be fully investigated.
8. When the report of the New York Superintendent of Insurance has been made that report should be carefully studied and every matter covered by it or by the recommendations of the Commissioner should be carefully examined.

Subsequently a still more elaborate plan of investigation was agreed upon with these accountants, and I doubt if any American insurance company has ever before had such an exhaustive examination.

It has taken a large force of men five months to ascertain the exact financial status of the Society, now fully expressed by the balance sheet transmitted with the following note and reproduced on pages 6 and 7.

New York, November 25th, 1905.

Mr. PAUL MORTON, President,
The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 120, Broadway, New York.

DEAR SIR:—The exhaustive examination which we have made of the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States is so far completed, that we are now able to furnish you with a Balance Sheet showing the true Financial Position of the Society on September 30th, 1905.

The Assets of the Society as claimed were all found to be on hand, and amounted in value to \$516,165,500.10 as shown by the Balance Sheet.

The Surplus over and above all Liabilities amounted to \$67,428,854.47.

A conservative revaluation of the Assets, including a re-appraisal of all the real estate owned by the Society, or covered by mortgages held by the Society, has resulted in a reduction in certain of the values adopted in the Society's last Annual Report, principally in Real Estate and in Stocks of certain financial institutions.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.,
Chartered Accountants
by A. LOWES DICKSON, F.C.A., C.P.A.
(Signed) HASKINS & SELLS,
Certified Public Accountants,
by ELIJAH W. SELLS, C.P.A.

You will be gratified to learn:

(1) That all the Assets claimed by the Society are on hand, and are of a high grade, and are conservatively worth \$516,165,500.10.

(2) That over and above all liabilities, the surplus is \$67,428,854.47, about seven-eighths of which is a fund for division among existing deferred dividend policies at the end of their accumulation periods.

(3) That the reduction in the book value of our assets and surplus is caused by a revaluation on a conservative basis, and in no way reduces the income of the Society.

The decrease in the value of assets is chiefly in real estate which was carried at prices too high, and in shares of certain financial institutions which were carried at market prices based on transactions, which were deemed by the accountants to be excessive.

RETIREMENT.

Economies amounting to \$600,000.00 a year have already been introduced, which if capitalized on a four per cent. basis would be equivalent to an additional investment of over \$15,000,000. This more than covers the marking down of assets. I expect to institute still further economies of a radical character.

RESTITUTION.

Under the past management transactions involving the expenditure of large sums of money have been carried through frequently without any proper authority or bookkeeping records, and with very meagre difficult in many instances to secure explanation of certain transactions which have taken place during the last ten years, some of which involve a financial loss to the Society.

The liabilities discovered by the Society, and the amounts restored to the Society approximate \$1,000,000, and legal proceedings have been instituted for the recovery of considerable additional sums.

Intimations.

ANNUAL AUDIT.

It will be the policy of the new administration of the Society to insist on an independent audit of its accounts as to its fiscal condition, once each year, the result of which will be published.

NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

Under the change in ownership of a majority of the stock, the shares were at once put in trust; and Directors are now nominated by the trustees—Hon. Grover Cleveland, Justice Morgan J. O'Brien, and Mr. George Westinghouse. Thirteen Directors are chosen annually, and the Trustees will each year offer an opportunity to the policyholders to express their preferences in respect of the choice of Directors.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

It will be the policy of the Society hereafter not to make contributions to political campaigns. It is my opinion that we have no right to use the funds of the Society for any such purpose.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES.

In the last ten years this Society has loaned over \$120,000,000 on real estate mortgages, mostly in large cities. Only in six of these cases has it had to take property under foreclosure and in these six instances the property was sold so as to net a profit. It will continue to be the policy of the Society to make investments of this description.

COST OF INSURANCE.

The very essence of life insurance is safety and this can be secured only by reasonable premiums.

A great many Equitable policyholders are doubting as to whether they should continue their policies. To such I wish to say most emphatically that my investigation has shown that there is no cheaper way for the policyholders than by retaining their policies. As I have pointed out, the surplus of over \$67,000,000, are safely invested upon a basis which returns an excellent rate of interest upon the revalued rates, and I expect in due time to establish such economies that the cost of administration and securing new business will be reduced to the lowest possible basis consistent with safety and efficiency.

I, accordingly, believe that by continuing your policies in the Equitable you will receive life insurance at the lowest cost consistent with safety.

I therefore advise you to continue to pay your premiums; to allow your policies to lapse will be doing yourselves injustice. Your contracts with this Society are as safe and sound as anything earthly can be. Where lapses have already occurred the agents of the Society will cheerfully assist in restoring policies.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES IN 1905.

I congratulate you and all policyholders in solvent concerns on the reformatory results of the agitation of the past year. This Society alone has undergone four extraordinary investigations since January 1st. The extraordinary investigations have been by the enforced restitutions and checked waste heretofore referred to and by the final assurance you now have of the wealth and solvency of your Society. I am convinced that this and other investigations and the resulting stimulation of discussion have attracted public attention to the impregnable strength of established concerns like the Equitable more effectively than could have been done by any other means.

Investigations may have been destructive of individual reputations, the utility of life insurance has been more fully demonstrated than ever before.

There will be no effort by the new administration to have the biggest company in the world; the effort will be to make it the best and safest. Conservative lines will be followed. It will be the policy not to solicit or secure new business at the expense of the present policyholders, and in case it is determined that holders, and in case it is determined that business in any section of the world is unprofitable, that field will be abandoned.

Over 98 per cent. of our death claims are settled within 24 hours after proof of death is received, and since January 1st, 1905, through all of the agitation concerning life insurance, this Society alone has paid out in death claims and benefits of other kinds over \$16,799,000.00 every working day.

Assuring you that it will be my constant endeavor to conduct the affairs of this Society in a manner that will merit your hearty approbation, I am,

Very truly yours,
PAUL MORTON, President.

BALANCE SHEET.

September 30th, 1905.

ASSETS

Real Estate 28,550,270.00

Secured Loans 113,776,066.04

Bonds, Stocks and other Securities 335,538,062.00

Cash and other Funds 2,195,414.19

Commissions and Current Expenses 1,399,364.68

Premiums in course of Collection 5,895,442.64

Agents' balances 7,654,840.76

Interest and rentals due 4,914,097.65

Total assets... G. \$4 616,550,10

LIABILITIES

General Insurance Reserve; net present value of all outstanding policies computed with 4.03 and 34 per cent. interest... 347,802,061.00

Current Liabilities: Death claims, endowments, annuities, dividends due and unpaid... 2,556,794.81

Commissions and Current Expenses 1,399,364.68

Premiums in course of Collection 5,895,442.64

Agents' balances 7,654,840.76

Interest and rentals due 4,914,097.65

Total liabilities... 349,022,634.88

Surplus... 67,428,854.47

416,165,500.10

We hereby certify that in our opinion the above balance sheet is correct and is properly drawn up so as to show the true financial position of the Society at September 30th, 1905.

(Signed) PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.
(Signed) HASKINS & SELLS.

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PRICE VERY MODERATE.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1905.

Shipping.

Arrivals.
Pekin, Br. s.s. 2521, W. R. Le Mare, R.N.R., 13th Feb., Kobe 6th Feb., Gen.—P. & O.
S. N. Co.
Banca, Br. s.s. 3794, J. B. Ferguson, 14th Feb., Singapore 8th Feb., Gen.—P. & O.
S. N. Co.
Hyades, Br. s.s. 2032, John Alwen, 14th Feb., Seattle 1st Jan., and Shanghai 10th Feb., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Kwangtsh, Ch. s.s. 1536, Wm. H. Lunt, 14th Feb., Shanghai 11th Feb., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Lennox, Br. s.s. 2140, F. McNair, 14th Feb., Calcutta 14th Jan., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Samson, Ger. s.s. 1100, F. Richwaldt, 14th Feb., Bangkok 6th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Apenrade, Ger. s.s. 1100, Jorgensen, 14th Feb., Hilo 7th Feb., Sugar.—J. & Co.
Keong Wai, Ger. s.s. 1115, Kohler, 14th Feb., Bangkok 6th Feb., Rice.—B. & S.
Paoing, Br. s.s. 1073, J. Cogan, 14th Feb., Hilo 10th Feb., Sugar.—B. & S.
Itellin, Br. s.s. 1106, J. E. Farrell, 14th Feb., Singapore 8th Feb., Kerosene.—Mr. Geo. McLean.
Hainun, Br. s.s. 636, A. J. Robson, 15th Feb., Swatow 14th Feb., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Heimdel, Nor. s.s. 76, T. A. Johnson, 15th Feb., Canton 14th Feb., Gen.—Chinese.
Nam Sang, Br. s.s. 2591, Geo. Payne, 15th Feb., Calcutta 30th Jan., via Penang and Singapore 6th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Hsingan, Br. s.s. 1424, Daves, 15th Feb., 3 udu 10th Feb., Sugar.—B. & S.
Kilbuck, Br. s.s. 180, Le Tempier, 15th Feb., Pulo Lant (S. Borneo) 5th Feb., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.
Hainun, for Swatow.
Wakamatsu Maru, for Moji.
Hsingan, for Canton.
Telmachus, for Saigon.
Amoy Maru, for Swatow.
Tainan, for Canton.
Kiu-kiang, for Canton.
Catherine Ahear, for Singapore.
Stettin, for Shanghai.

Departures.
Feb. 15.
Japan, for Singapore.
Hainun, for Coast Ports.
Paoing, for Shanghai.
Katherine Park, for Vladivostok.
Hainun, for Canton.
Pera, for Shanghai.
Amoy Maru, for Swatow.
Wakamatsu Maru, for Moji.
Pekin, for Singapore.
Hainun, for Canton.
Telmachus, for Saigon.
Catherine Ahear, for Calcutta.
Kiu-kiang, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.
Per Hainun, from Swatow—Misses Bruhn, Johnson, Masters Frutin, Johnson, and F. W. Lyndberg, R. P. Bruhn, and 108 Chinese.
Per Nam Sang, from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. W. N. Bish, 1004 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.

Shipping Report.
Str. Hainun from Swatow: Moderate ENE breeze, dull misty weather.
Str. Hainun from Singapore: Light winds and fine weather throughout.
Str. Kiu-kiang from Shanghai: Strong NE monsoon, and thick misty weather.
Str. Peking from Kobe: Heavy NE gale to Chapel Island, from there strong to moderate monsoon.
Str. Paoing from Hilo: Fine weather and moderate winds to within 150 miles SE. of Hongkong thence strong monsoon, and hazy weather to port.
Str. Stettin from Singapore: Light Ely winds to 230 miles from port; thence to port strong NE winds, rough sea, and thick weather with much rain.

Vessels in Port.
BINH THUAN, Fr. s.s. 2000, R. Lagane, 13th Feb., Wakamatsu (Japan) 7th Feb., Coal.—B. & Co.
CAIRO, Nor. s.s. 381, J. Larsen, 13th Feb., Moji 9th Feb., Gen.—Order.
COPTIC, Br. s.s. 2744, Wm. Finch, R.N.R., 12th Feb., San Francisco 10th Jan., Honolulu 17th, Yokohama 31st, Kobe 2nd Feb., Nagasaki 4th, and Manila 10th, Mails and Gen.—O. & S. S. Co.
DAINI TAIAN MARU, Jap. s.s. 2489, Kito, 11th Feb., Moji 30th Jan., Coal.—Mr. Kusakabe.
DERWENT, Br. s.s. 1562, J. Jenkins, 10th Feb., Sourabaya 24th Jan., and Samarang 31st, Sugar and Molasses.—Man Pat.
DR. HANS JURG KIER, Nor. s.s. 691, H. E. Larsen, 9th Dec., Hilo 14th Feb., Sugar.—A. & W. Wheeler, 10th Feb., Fausang, Br. s.s. 1300, P. Wheeler, 10th Feb., Sourabaya 31st Jan., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
HAINUN, Br. s.s. 11, 83, J. S. Roach, 13th Feb., Fenchow 9th Feb., Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.
HAUS WAGNER, Ger. s.s. 965, Kayemann, 3rd Feb., Swatow 2nd Feb., Ballast.—L. W. & Co.
KOHASHIANG, Ger. s.s. 1296, C. Gosewisch, 9th Feb., Bangkok (Angkor) 1st Feb., Rice and Timber.—B. & S.
LAERAS, Br. s.s. 1500, J. B. Jackson, 12th Feb., Saigon 7th Feb., Gen.—Chinese.
LYAL, Ger. s.s. 1736, L. Lorenzen, 13th Feb., Bangkok 3rd Feb., Rice.—S. W. & Co.
LUTCHOW, Br. s.s. 1217, Daddley, 13th Feb., Cardiff 29th Dec., 1905, Coal.—B. & S.
MEYRAL, Dut. s.s. 1552, E. M. Nedals, 10th Feb., Singapore 3rd Feb., Sugar.—Order.
MERCEDES, Br. transport, 2000, J. McGregor, 6th Feb., from Pulo Condore Island.
NAGAKI, Ger. s.s. 118, O. Koch, 10th Feb., Swatow 9th Feb., Rice.—B. & S.
RUBI, Br. s.s. 1619, R. W. Almond, 12th Feb., Manila 10th Feb., Gen.—S. T. & Co.
SUNGKIANG, Br. s.s. 987, Pennafather, 10th Feb., Cebu and Hilo 6th Feb., Sugar and Hemp.—B. & S.
TARTAR, Br. s.s. 2768, W. Davison, R.N.R., 6th Feb., Vancouver 8th Jan., and Shanghai 3rd Feb., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
VICTORIA, Swed. s.s. 986, J. A. Hallberg, 2nd Jan., Moji 15th Jan., Coal.—S. W. & Co.
WAKAMATSU MARU, Jap. s.s. 1720, Y. Oda, 12th Feb., Moji 7th Feb., Coal.—H. U. Jeffries.
YUENSANG, Br. s.s. 1128, P. H. Rolfe, 12th Feb., Manila 10th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.
Otra, Nor. ship, 1199, E. Refanes, 24th Dec., to remain 18th Oct., Sandalwood.—S. & Co.
Rose, Br. lq. 822, Wright, 10th Nov., West Australia 4th Aug., Sandalwood.—S. & Co.
Vincent, Br. ship, 1774, Cox, 28th Jan., to Philadelphia 20th July, Oil.—S. & Co.

Steamers Expected.

Vessel	From	Agent	Due
Emp. of Japan	Shanghai	C. P. R. Co.	Feb. 16
Yangtze	Singapore	B. & S.	Feb. 17
Oceanic	Singapore	M. M.	Feb. 19
Formosa	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Feb. 19
Borussia	Colombo	H. A. L.	Feb. 20
Yawata Maru	Japan	S. Y. K.	Feb. 20
Siberia	Japan	P. M. Co.	Feb. 24

DOCK RETURNS.

Vessel	From	Agent	Due
U.S.S. Oregon	Kowloon	Dock	
Tyades	"	"	"
Kwongchow	"	"	"
U.S.A. T. Seward	"	"	"
Saisan	"	"	"
Nanshan	"	"	"
U.S.S. Bainbridge	Cosmopolitan	"	"
Chili	"	"	"
Shantung	"	"	"

SHANGHAI.

Vessel	From	Agent	Due
Oly.	New	Feb. 5	
Kinling	do	do	5
Amoy	Tunkadoo	"	2

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Swatow—Per Nanshan, 16th Feb., 9 A.M.
Moji—Per Wakamatsu Maru, 16th Feb., 10 A.M.

Macao—Per Hsingan, 16th Feb., 11.15 P.M.
Amoy, Swatow, Singapore and Samarang—Per Meiropi, 16th Feb., 2 P.M.

Manila—Per Yuensang, 16th Feb., 3 P.M.
Amoy, Swatow, Singapore and Penang—Per Rajaburi, 16th Feb., 5 P.M.

Manila—Per Rubi, 17th Feb., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per Hsingan, 17th Feb., 1.15 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Kioyang, 17th Feb., 2 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Hilo—Per Sungkiang, 17th Feb., 3 P.M.

Foochow—Per Fausang, 17th Feb., 5 P.M.
Shanghai—Per Kiu-kiang, 18th Feb., 3 P.M.

Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, Wash.—Per Tremont, 20th Feb., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Capita, 20th Feb., 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuila—Per Salario, 20th Feb., 11 A.M.

Manila—Per Tainan, 20th Feb., 3 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)—Per Tartar, 21st Feb., 11 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Nam Sang, 22nd Feb., 2 P.M.

Timor, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Yawata Maru, 23rd Feb., 3 P.M.

Manila—Per Zafra, 24th Feb., 10 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuila—Per Delhi, 24th Feb., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Taiman, 24th Feb., 4 P.M.

Batavia, Cherbon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per Tilmachus, 26th Feb., 4 P.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuila—Per Zelen, 26th Feb., 11 A.M.

Nagasaki and Vladivostok—Per Shirovita, 28th Feb., 11 A.M.

Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Eastern, 3rd Mar., 11 A.M.

Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Eastern, 3rd Mar., 11 A.M.

Manila, Simpsonhafen, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Herberhshe, Matup, Samarang, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Willahad, 6th Mar., 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuila—Per Tourane, 6th Mar., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)—Per Empress of Japan, 7th Mar., 11 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuila—Per Oceanic, 20th Mar., 11 A.M.

From and after the 1st January, 1906, the rate for Postcards from Australia to Hongkong and British Postal Agencies in China is one penny instead of one penny and half penny.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

KOWLOON.
Ainslie, Dr. D. H. Hall, A. J.
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and Mrs. E. and Schuler, Messrs. M. nurse
and children
Crawford, Mrs. A. Vergue, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. de la Fenton, Mrs. C. J.

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Barrhall, F. M.
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Bennet, F.
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Birbeck, R. J.
Blah, W. C.
Bishop, L. N.
Bisney, Mr. & Mrs. S.
Bisney, Miss
Bistell, W. S.
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Brockmann, G.
Broughall, L.
Bundell, L. S.
Burnie, C. M. G.
Campbell, L. F.
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Chatham, Miss
Clark, M. O.
Clark, T.
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Clarke, W. E.
Clegg, R.N., Eng. Lt.
and Mrs. H. I.
Colvin, H. E.
Coulthart, J. M.
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Cunningham, G.
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Davies, F. O.
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Doillite, F. H.
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T. C. and infant
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Fletcher, H.
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Forman, Mr. and Mrs.
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Grant, R.N. Capt. and Mrs.
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Harker, B. B.
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Hollingsworth, Mr. & Mrs.
Holt, B. G.
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